

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SNAR, AG

SUBJ: EXPULSION OF REUTERS CORRESPONDENT

1. GOA 3 FEBRUARY EXPELLED REUTERS CORRESPONDENT RENE VIGIE OSTENSIBLY FOR FILING STORY ON NUMEROUS DRUG TRAFFIC ARRESTS AND THEIR POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS. POLICE REPORTEDLY PICKED UP VIGIE, TOOK HIM TO COURT, AND UPON HIS ADMISSION THAT HE HAD INDEED FILED STORY IN QUESTION, HAULED HIM DIRECTLY TO PLANE ALLOWING HIM ONLY TO TELEPHONE GOODBYE TO HIS WIFE.

2. ITALIAN ANSA CORRESPONDENT, WHO HAS FILED SAME STORY, REPORTEDLY LYING LOW.

3. VIGIE SECOND REUTERS CORRESPONDENT EXPELLED IN NINE MONTHS. WHETHER ALGERIAN SENSITIVITY TO NARCOTICS STORY SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR EXPULSION OR WHETHER FACT REUTERS HAS ONE OF BEST ALGIERS HOUSES ALSO

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CONTRIBUTED TO VIGIE'S DOWNFALL IS UNCLEAR.

ALGERIANS HAVE GIVEN DRUG ARRESTS VIRTUALLY NO  
PRESS PLAY HERE.  
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## Message Attributes

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